

Exercise

Clean up with CTEs

In chapter 2, you generated a list of countries and the number of matches in each country with more than 10 total goals. The query in that exercise utilized a subquery in the `FROM` statement in order to filter the matches *before* counting them in the main query. Below is the query you created:

```
SELECT
  c.name AS country,
  COUNT(sub.id) AS matches
FROM country AS c
INNER JOIN (
  SELECT country_id, id
  FROM match
  WHERE (home_goal + away_goal) >= 10) AS sub
ON c.id = sub.country_id
GROUP BY country;
```

You can list one (or more) subqueries as **common table expressions** (CTEs) by *declaring* them ahead of your main query, which is an excellent tool for organizing information and placing it in a logical order.

In this exercise, let's rewrite a similar query using a CTE.

Instructions

100 XP

- Complete the syntax to declare your CTE.
- Select the `country_id` and match `id` from the `match` table in your CTE.
- Left join the CTE to the league table using `country_id`.

query.sql

Light Mode

```
1 -- Set up your CTE
2 WITH match_list AS (
3   SELECT
4     country_id,
5     id
6   FROM match
7   WHERE (home_goal + away_goal) >= 10)
8 -- Select league and count of matches from the CTE
9 SELECT
10   l.name AS league,
11   COUNT(match_list.id) AS matches
12 FROM league AS l
13 -- Join the CTE to the league table
14 LEFT JOIN match_list ON l.id = match_list.country_id
15 GROUP BY l.name;
```



Run Code

Submit Answer

query result

league

match



league

matches

Switzerland Super League

0

Poland Ekstraklasa

0

Netherlands Eredivisie

1

Scotland Premier League

0

Exercise

Organizing with CTEs

Previously, you modified a query based on a statement you completed in chapter 2 using common table expressions.

This time, let's expand on the exercise by looking at details about matches with very high scores using CTEs. Just like a subquery in `FROM`, you can join tables *inside* a CTE.

Instructions

100 XP

- Declare your CTE, where you create a list of all matches with the league name.
- Select the league, date, home, and away goals from the CTE.
- Filter the main query for matches with 10 or more goals.

 Take Hint (-30 XP)

query.sql

Light Mode

```
1  -- Set up your CTE
2  WITH match_list AS (
3      -- Select the league, date, home, and away goals
4      SELECT
5          l.name AS league,
6          m.date,
7          m.home_goal,
8          m.away_goal,
9          (m.home_goal + m.away_goal) AS total_goals
10     FROM match AS m
11     LEFT JOIN league as l ON m.country_id = l.id)
12  -- Select the league, date, home, and away goals from the CTE
13  SELECT league, date, home_goal, away_goal
14  FROM match_list
15  -- Filter by total goals
16  WHERE total_goals >= 10;
```



Run Code

Submit Answer

query result

league	date	home_goal	away_goal
England Premier League	2011-08-28	8	2
England Premier League	2012-12-29	7	3
England Premier League	2013-05-19	5	5
Germany 1. Bundesliga	2013-03-30	9	2

Exercise

CTEs with nested subqueries

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Instructions

100 XP

- Declare a CTE that calculates the total goals from matches in August of the 2013/2014 season.
- Left join the CTE onto the league table using `country_id` from the `match_list` CTE.
- Filter the list on the inner subquery to only select matches in August of the 2013/2014 season.

query.sql

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Light Mode

```
1  -- Set up your CTE
2  WITH match_list AS (
3      SELECT
4          country_id,
5          (home_goal + away_goal) AS goals
6      FROM match
7      -- Create a list of match IDs to filter data in the CTE
8      WHERE id IN (
9          SELECT id
10         FROM match
11         WHERE season = '2013/2014' AND EXTRACT(MONTH FROM date) = 08))
12
13
14  -- Select the league name and average of goals in the CTE
15  SELECT
16      l.name,
17      AVG(match_list.goals)
```



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Submit Answer

query result

league

match



name		avg
Switzerland Super League		1.9375000000000000
Poland Ekstraklasa		2.3103448275862069
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query.sql

Light Mode

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12
13
14 -- Select the league name and average of goals in the CTE
15 SELECT
16     l.name,
17     AVG(match_list.goals)
18 FROM league AS l
19 -- Join the CTE onto the league table
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